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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Attila T. Lorincz, et al.

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For: ASSESSMENT OF HUMAN PAPILLOMA VIRUS-RELATED DISEASE

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated April 19, 2004, applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. In addition, a Petition for an Extension of Time (3 months) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) and the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) are filed herewith to extend the time for response until October 19, 2004. A Terminal Disclaimer, Notice of Appeal and Change of Correspondence Address are also enclosed herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.